

# 2008 Election Cycle

## I SCHOOL BOARD 3RD DEPT/HONOLULU (1)



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I have lived in Hawaii for almost twenty-five years. My husband, Mitchell and I have one daughter, Lacy who is a graduate of Moanalua High School. I have taught preschool for over twenty years. I have served on the Board of Education since 1988. I am currently Chairperson of the Special Programs Committee. It has been a privilege serving on the Board of Education.

Because of my tenure on the Board, I have a deep understanding of our educational system and the issues facing us here in Hawaii, as well as the nation. We have seen many positive changes to our education system here. I have had an integral role in the formulation and implementation of policies and strategies to improve our schools, including standards based education, improved literacy instruction, and increased school level authority and decision making. I would like to continue to serve the people of Hawaii.

With challenges to our economy here in Hawaii, it is imperative that we work to ensure more of our funding gets to our classrooms with accountability for results. I will also continue working for meaningful school level decision making authority, increased parental involvement, and to see that every child has the opportunity to have the skills and knowledge necessary to reach their full potential.